## A NOTE ON TWO CHRYSOMELID BEETLES (COLEOPTERA)

A species of chrysomelid beetle, Ophraea arizonica Fall, hitherto not represented in the collection of the United States National Museum, has recently been added in the shape of 25 specimens collected by Jack M. Kaiser on the leaves of Beloperone sp. at Peña Blanca, Arizona (near Tucson). Fall (Trans. Amer. Ent. Soc., 36, 1910, p. 147) described this apparently rare beetle from one specimen sent him by F. H. Snow from the Santa Rita Mountains, Arizona.

D. M. Weisman has recently collected a new species of *Disonycha* in Harnett County, North Carolina. The host plant is unknown as the

beetle was taken by sweeping.

## Disonycha weismani n. sp.

About 7.5 mm. in length, oblong oval, feebly shining, alutaceous, very finely and indistinctly punctate, pale yellow with dark antennae and tarsal joints and two small spots anteriorly on the prothorax and moderately wide dark sutural,

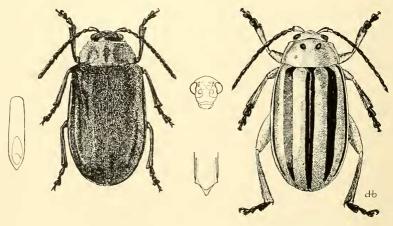
median and lateral vittae not joined at the apex of the elytra.

Head with interocular space more than half its width, with occiput having a few punctures besides the large fovea near eye, the interantennal area wide and bulging forward in a broadly rounded carina; pale with a very narrow darkening over occiput at edge of prothorax. Antennae with the two basal joints pale edged, remainder dark. Prothorax approximately twice as wide as long with rounded sides, not very convex; faintly shining, alutaceous, very finely punctate; pale yellow with two small spots anteriorly. Scutellum dark. Elytra alutaceous, faintly punctate and somewhat shiny; pale yellow with moderately wide sutural, median and lateral vittae, none joined at the apex. Body beneath entirely pale. Legs pale with the tarsal joints dark. Length 7.7 mm.; width 3.6 mm.

Type.—Male, U.S.N.M. Type No. 63507, collected by Donald M. Weisman, in sweeping at Spout Springs, Harnett Co., North Carolina,

on Aug. 30, 1952.

Remarks.—This species has the same coloration as D. caroliniana (Fab.) and D. latifrons Schaeffer, but differs from either in the head the aedeagus, which is unlike that of any other Disonycha.—Doris H. Blake.



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